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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: VAN GOMPEL et al.

Appln. No.: 10/624,660

Filed: July 22, 2003

For: DISPOSABLE  
UNDERGARMENT HAVING  
A CUTOUT AND METHOD  
FOR THE MANUFACTURE  
THEREOF

Examiner: Paula L. Craig

Art Unit: 3761

Confirmation No. 7010

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### THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS		
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EP 1 350 498 A1	10/2003	EPO

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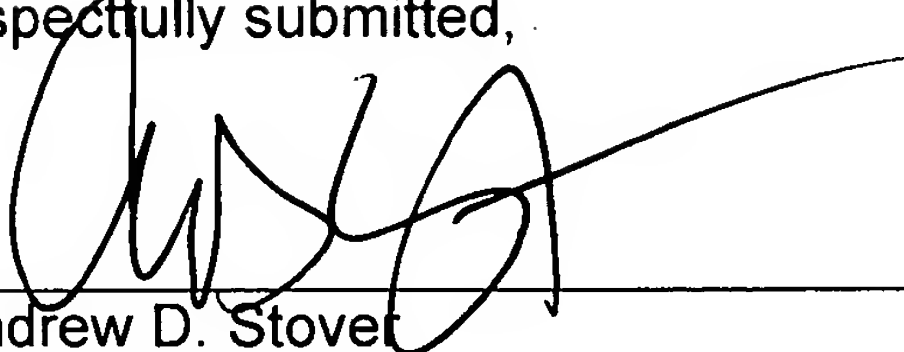
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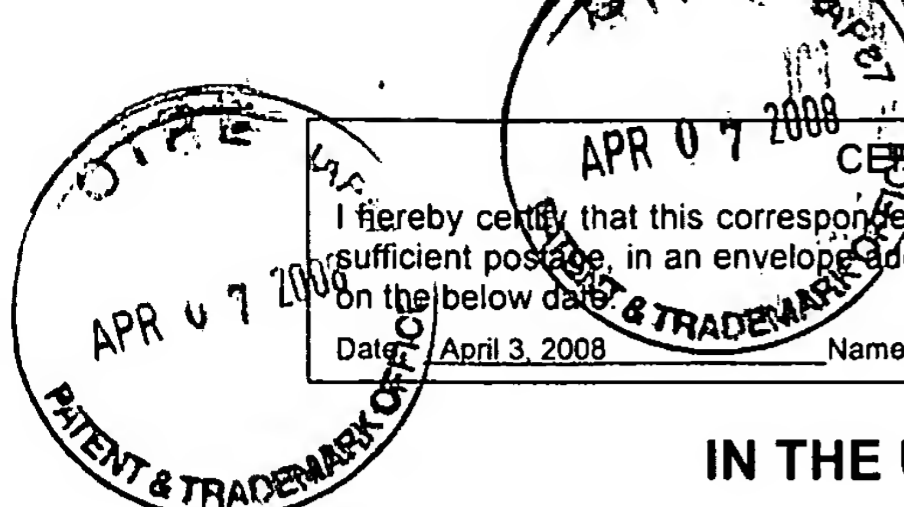
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Respectfully submitted,



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- Sir:  
Attached is/are:
- ☒ Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate);
  - ☒ PTO Form 1449;
  - ☒ Copy of one (1) cited reference; and
  - ☒ Return Receipt Postcard.

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- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
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Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
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